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U.S. Patent No. 6,349,481 B1 is an English language counterpart to DE 199 14 311 A1; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,904,695 B2 is an English language counterpart to DE 100 56 947 A1.

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